again on this subject, and shall rest assured if their shou'd be no par- July 13 ticular Political reasons to the contrary I shall be indulged with the Red Book No. 23 Permission prayed for.

Shou'd such indulgence be given to me the bearer will be kind enough to take charge of it for me

## [Geo. P. Keeports, Baltimore, to Gov. Lee.]

July 13 Red Book Letter 76

May It please your Excelly I Received your Letter The Day before No. 30 yesterday Evening Requesting me to give you Imediate Information how far the Gun Carriages are Finished and what Part is Begun. The wood work and Elevating screws for seven (out of The Twelve I was ordered to have made) only are Finished and The Iron work of one Carriage begun.

Exclusive of Those Carriages I have had Two New Carriages made (in the Room of Two old ones that were Rotten) one of which is Finished and the other will be in a Few Days If not stoped for want of Iron, so that by the Latter End of Next week The Five old Field Peices will be Compleatly Fitted up and Finished all to Painting. Two of The Ammunition Wagons will be Finished by Tomorrow Evening all to Painting and Two others are begun. Six sett of Harness for Four Horse Teems are Likewise Finished all to Traces.

It Takes about 450lbs wt of Iron To Compleat a Carriage and Four Wheels and about The same Quantity for a Wagon so that the Quantity of Iron Wanting must be Calculated by the work That is to be Finished. The blacksmiths Likewise would Very willingly Take Iron at The Current Price in Part Pay for their work.

Mr Saml Hughs has Notified to me that he Intends to Take away the 20 Peices Cannon I Received from his Furnace and Requested me to Inform your Excelley Thereof, I wish to be Informed wether I may Permit him to Take Them without an order

## [R. Bond St. Marys County to ———]

July 14

I Received Yours of the 12th Inst. and have the pleasure to advise you the number of Horses required from this County are ready to be delivered to Your order.

## [Dan'l of St. T. Jenifer, Portobacco, to ———]

July 15 Red Book Letter 10

I had the honor of a Letter from the Governor and Council dated No. 22 the 12th Inst relative to the Horses received by me for the use of the State. I by the two last posts informed your Excellency that the Quota for this County was compleat which was done without Loss of time. I shall observe your directions with regard to the Surplus horses but am afraid as there is no money in this County they will sell to considerable Loss in case the owners shou'd refuse to receive